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**CERTIFIED MAIL—RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

September 8, 2009

Mr. Jack L. Elkins II  
P. O. Box 2807  
Milan, NM 87021-2807

**RE:** Request for access to property for investigation of legacy uranium sites under CERCLA

Dear Mr. Elkins:

On behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is conducting investigations of possible environmental contamination associated with legacy uranium sites within the Grants Mineral Belt for possible action under the authority of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). These investigations initially will include site visits to photograph and document current conditions; subsequent phases, if necessary, may include collection of soil and surface water samples, and monitor well installations for ground water sampling.

NMED has identified several legacy uranium sites that are located on land under your ownership in Township 13 North, Range 10 West, section 25, and is requesting your assistance by completing the enclosed NMED standard access consent form and returning this in the self-addressed and stamped envelope provided. You will be provided copies of any analyses that are obtained from samples that may be collected on your property without charge. If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (505) 476-3777, or by email at [david.mayerson@state.nm.us](mailto:david.mayerson@state.nm.us). Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
David L. Mayerson  
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Enclosure: NMED access consent form and envelope

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Ms. Nelda Rae McPhaul  
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Pietown, NM 87827

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